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SUBJ: US-USSR MEDICAL COOPERATION (03.00) PRIMATE RESEARCH

1. DRS. HELD AND GAY CALLED ON EMBASSY JUNE 11 TO REPORT ON COMPLETION OF SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO MOSCOW, TBILISI AND SUKHUMI. SOVIET ORGANIZATION AND COOPERATION THROUGHOUT TRIP WERE EXCELLENT, HIGH POINT WAS VISIT TO 12,000 ACRE PRIMATE BREEDING CENTER, SUKHUMI, AND DISCUSSION WITH CENTER DIRECTOR LAPIN.

2. GAY AND HELD REPORT THAT THE SOVIETS ARE STILL PARTIALLY DEPENDENT ON IMPORTS OF PRIMATES FOR RESEARCH, HOWEVER SUKHUMI CENTER IS REPRESENTATIVE OF SOVIET STRONG EFFORT TO HAVE A RELIABLE DOMESTIC SUPPLY SOURCE. SOVIETS APPARENTLY ARE INTERESTED IN SOUTH AMERICAN PRIMATES, AND LAPIN PLANS TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION DURING NEXT WASHINGTON VISIT. AN INTERESTING SIDELINE, GAY AND HELD NOTED THAT SOVIETS REPORT THERE IS AN ANTI-VIVISECTION- IS MOVEMENT IN THE SOVIET UNION AND THAT PRESSURE AGAINST USING PRIMATES FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES IS EXERTED AT TIMES THROUGH TRADE UNIONS.

3. COMMENT - VISIT WAS USEFUL IN COORDINATING BILATERALS VIEW ON PRIMATE BREEDING FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES AND SHOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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OPEN ADDITIONAL ROUTES FOR EVENTUAL EXCHANGE OF ANIMAL MODELS AS THE NEED ARRIVES. END COMMENT TOON

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